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In *Hairspray* it's 1962 — the '50s are out and change is in the air. Baltimore's Tracy Turnblad, a big girl with big hair and an even bigger heart, has only one passion — to dance. She wins a spot on the local TV dance program, "The Corny Collins Show" and, overnight, is transformed from outsider to irrepressible teen celebrity. But can a plus-size trendsetter in dance and fashion vanquish the program's reigning princess, win the heart of heartthrob Link Larkin, and integrate a television show without denting her 'do? Only in *Hairspray*! Welcome to the '60s!

Hairspray is based on the New Line Cinema film



Above: ORR High School students and UMass Dartmouth representatives display personalized pillowcases students made for children in local foster care. This was just one of the many service-learning projects done during the 2002-2003 school year as part of ORR's collaboration with the KIDS Consortium, for which they recently received a \$10,000 grant. (Photo courtesy of Kathy Marx).

On the cover: Carly Jibson and Justin Miller star in the Broadway hit production *Hairspray*, based on the classic John Waters' film, which is now playing at the Providence Performing Arts Center through November 16. Ticket prices range from \$45 to \$65 and can be purchased at the Box Office window, by calling 401-421-ARTS, through TICKETMASTER, or online at ppacri.org. For more information please call 401-421-2997.

written and directed by John Waters, who serves as a creative consultant on the musical comedy. It features a book by Mark O'Donnell and Thomas Meehan. *Hairspray* features an original score by Academy Award-nominated Marc Shaiman (who co-wrote the music and lyrics for the acclaimed animated musical, *South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut*) and lyrics by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman. *Hairspray* is directed by Jack O'Brien and choreographed by Jerry Mitchell; the scenic design is by David Rockwell; the costume design is by William Ivey Long; the lighting design is by Kenneth Posner; and the sound design is by Steve C. Kennedy.

"The Eleventh Hour"

Mattapoisett, Rochester to Honor Veterans

The Annual Veterans Day Ceremony for Mattapoisett and Rochester will take place on Tuesday, November 11 at 11:00 am at Old Hammondtown School in Mattapoisett. The program will feature: Post of the Colors (Mattapoisett Police Department); Pledge of Allegiance/Opening Remarks (Commander Richard Waning); Prayer (John DeCosta, Chaplain); "Old Hammondtown March" (Old Hammondtown School Band); "America's Tears"



Right: Major Lincoln Leibner, seen here with Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, will be discussing his experience as a personal witness to the September 11, 2001 attack at the Pentagon as part of the November 11 Veterans Day Exercises to be held at Old Hammondtown School in Mattapoisett starting at 11:00 am. Major Leibner will provide an exclusive firsthand account of not only the traumatic event, but the immediate reactions within the Pentagon following the attack.

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Keynote Speaker Major Lincoln Leibner will be discussing his experience as a personal witness to the September 11 attack at the Pentagon, where he was working at the time. Major Liebner will provide an exclusive firsthand account of not only the traumatic event, but the immediate reactions within the Pentagon following the attack. He worked closely with Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and his staff well into that tragic evening, something of which he has spoken little of since that day.

Major Lincoln Debs Leibner, United States Naval War College, June Class of 2004, was most recently assigned as an Army Research Fellow with the RAND Corporation. Major Leibner has served as an Executive Support Officer to the Office of the Secretary of Defense at the Pentagon. As both an enlisted soldier and then as an officer, Major Leibner has served in Europe, Bosnia, Haiti,

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Panama and Korea. Prior assignments include Fort Bragg, North Carolina with units of the XVIII Airborne Corps and the Army Special Operations Command as well as work in Washington, DC with the NSA, NIMA and NRO in support of deployed US Army forces. He holds a Master's Degree from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in National Security Studies.

School Grant

ORR Gets \$10,000 from KIDS Consortium

The Old Rochester Regional School District (ORRSD) recently received a \$10,000 grant from KIDS Consortium, a nationally recognized leader in service-learning. Funding for the grant was provided by the federal Learn and Serve America Program of the Corporation for National and Community Service, and represents the beginning of a three-year partnership between ORR and KIDS.

The grant will help the ORRSD to expand its efforts to offer service-learning opportunities for K-12 students. ORR High School Principal Bruce Clarke welcomed the grant as "an opportunity to support the goals cited in the ORR High School Improvement and Accreditation Plans." Clarke added: "We are delighted to have the expanded resources that will enable us to continue our efforts in connecting our students to their community through hands-on, experiential learning."

Service-learning is a teaching strategy that

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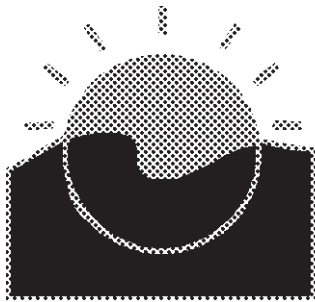
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schools and community organizations to involve students in addressing real challenges faced by their communities. Students identify, research, and work to address local community needs. With guidance from KIDS, teachers match those projects to school curricula, providing a powerful "hands on" learning experience that improves the community and brings academics to life. Kathy Marx, Community Service Learning Coordinator for Old Rochester, will oversee the leadership team and serve as a liaison with KIDS throughout the grant cycle.

Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

November 3, 2003

By Patricia Aleks

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, November 3, 2003 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Barry J. Denham. Also present were Selectmen Raymond H. Andrews, Selectmen Stephen J. Lombard, Town Administrator Michael J. Botelho, and Administrative Assistant Melody Pacheco.

The board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the October 20 meeting and then approved the minutes of the October 27 meeting with Stephen L. Lombard abstaining from that approval as he was not present for the meeting. The board then unanimously approved the holiday openings on Sunday for local package stores. This allows "package stores in the Town of Mattapoisett to remain open, at their discretion, on all

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Sundays beginning Sunday, November 23, 2003 and continuing through Sunday, December 28, 2003." The board then approved the 2004 license fees with no changes as the fees are in line with neighboring towns.

The first appointment of the evening was with Water/Sewer Superintendent William Nicholson, who wished to update the board on the construction schedule for the Buzzards Bay Water Preservation Project Phase II Sewer Project. This phase covers the areas of Point Connett, Pine Island Road, and Church Street Extension, to name a few. They have signed a 15-month contract with RJV Construction Corporation of Canton, MA which will start the week of November 11, 2003 with an anticipated operational system in November 2004 — excluding any final paving. Mr. Nicholson informed the board that Phase I of this project is anticipated to be operational by the Spring of 2004.

Next, the board met with Fire Chief Ronald Scott. Chief Scott expressed concern to the board that the department's rescue truck has been removed from service due to safety issues. He stated that with the truck out of service, they have had to put the rescue equipment on the three pumpers which means that they may not have the necessary equipment when responding to a call. The price for a new rescue truck is approximately \$350,000. The board requested Chief Scott to look into the possibility of a lease/purchase option for a truck and report back to them.

At 7:30 pm the board held a Liquor License Hearing with Craig F. Fleming, Manager of the Golf House, Inc. located on the Bay Club property. As the license holder, the board asked Mr. Fleming if he would be on the premises and he replied "for more hours than I can imagine ... (it) will be more than 40 hours." Mr. Fleming informed the board that the Golf House is a 50-seat restaurant for members only as it is a private club.

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The board reviewed incoming correspondence from Michael Costello resigning from his position as Chairman of the Marine Advisory Board (MAB). Mr. Costello will continue to serve as a board member, however. Mr. Jack Duff has accepted the position of MAB Chairman, effective immediately.

The board received a letter from Raymond P. Harrington, Chairman of the Mattapoisett Historical Commission, recommending Francis A. Rezendes be appointed as a member of the commission. Mr. Rezendes has a "long-standing familiarity with Mattapoisett — as a 38-year summer resident — as well as a decided interest

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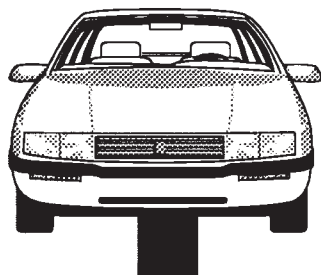
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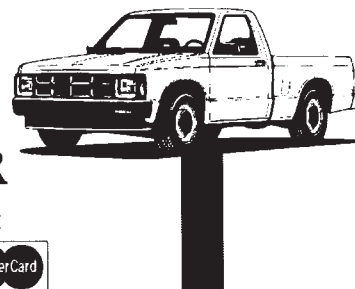


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in local history." The board unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. Resendes to the Mattapoisett Historical Commission.

The board received a letter from Perry, Hicks, Crotty and Deshaies, LLP, in response to a recent Request for Proposal (RFP) for contractual legal services in place of the past practice of an "at will" hiring with hourly billing. Attorney Daniel C. Perry responded: "I regret that I cannot make a contractual proposal that I am comfortable with that conforms to the invitation." The board has set a RFP deadline on contractual legal services for November 21, 2003 for other legal firms.

Under announcements, Administrative Assistant Melody Pacheco stated that they have been receiving many responses to the Senior Center questionnaire and asked that the public complete them and send them back so that all opinions are counted.

The board next thanked the police and fire departments for another terrific Halloween Parade held Friday, October 31 in Shipyard Park. "It all went real well," said Chairman Denham. The board requested that anyone having knowledge or recollection of how the Halloween Parade tradition started to share that information with the board. Of interest is who started it, why, and how it was started. Both Chairman Denham and Selectman Andrews know it has been going on for 50 years, but they wondered how long the tradition has been ongoing since its inception.

Another annual tradition, the town's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, will take place on Saturday, December 13 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm with two full hours of music, refreshments, and a special appearance from Santa Claus.

There was some discussion regarding the Comcast cable company as Selectmen Andrews recently received a call from an unhappy subscriber. The board



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asked that if any resident has a complaint with Comcast — be it service or channel scheduling — to please write to the board with their complaint. The board “needs some ammunition” he said to bring to Comcast regarding customer complaints.

There being no further business to conduct, the board unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:30 pm.

Marion Special Town Meeting

November 3, 2003

By Kenneth J. Souza

A Special Town Meeting for the Town of Marion was called to order on Monday, November 3 at 7:00 pm in the Sippican School Auditorium by Town Moderator David B. Titus having noted the presence of a quorum.

Mr. Titus wasted no time in getting to the first of 21 articles on the warrant, beginning with **ARTICLE S1**, which asked voters to amend Article 2 of the April 2003 Annual Town Meeting as follows: adjust the ORR Operating Budget from \$3,309,140 to \$2,853,019; the Upper Cape Cod Regional Operating Budget from \$135,860 to \$98,142; and the Upper Cape Cod Regional Debt line item from \$13,604 to \$15,697. This would reduce the total operating budgets to \$14,960,598 from the previously-approved \$15,452,344. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S2**, voters were asked to approve \$1,920,912 for remodeling and making extraordinary repairs to the heating and air conditioning system at the Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical High School. The estimated annual cost for the ten-year bonded project to Marion voters would be \$15,675 based on enrollment. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S3**, voters were asked to transfer \$600,000 from the Overlay Reserve Account to fund

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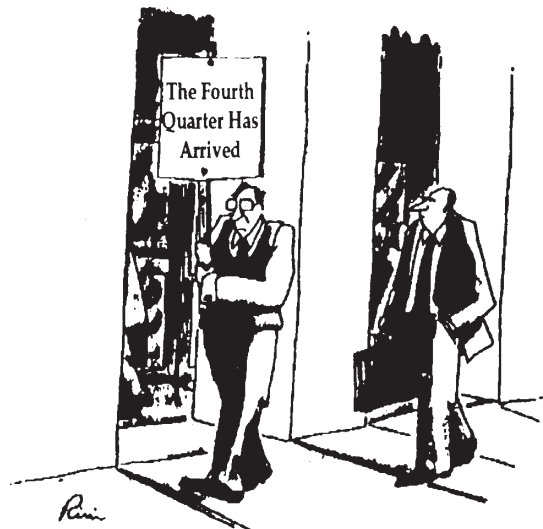
revaluation expenses for the Town of Marion. According to Assessor Bradford Eames, every nine years the town is required to remeasure homes as part of the regular revaluation process required by the Department of Revenue (DOR) and this money would be used for that purpose. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S4**, voters were asked to accept the provisions of Chapter 653, Section 40 of the Acts of 1989 to permit the accelerated assessment of new construction and improvements built in Marion between January 1 and June 30. "What this does is move the valuation date from January 1 to June 30 ... providing six extra months of assessment," said Assessor Bradford Eames. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S5**, voters were asked to transfer \$6,025 from Free Cash to the FY 2004 Administrative Services budget (line item 159) to fund a part-time clerk in the Assessors' Office to handle the additional workload in the revaluation process. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S6**, voters were asked to transfer \$20,360 from Free Cash to fund the contract agreement

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between the Town of Marion and Marion Town Employees' Association for FY 2004. According to Selectmen Chairman Andrew Jeffrey, the town recently settled the "labor relations issue" with town employees and the Finance Committee (FinCom) recommended payment as settled. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S7**, voters were asked to transfer \$3,334.16 from Free Cash to pay outstanding prior year's bills. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S8**, voters were asked to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) Chapter 44, Section 53F to establish the water service as an enterprise fund, effective July 1, 2004. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S9**, voters were asked to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53F to similarly establish the sewer service as an enterprise fund. The article carried unanimously.

ARTICLE S10, which would have established a school user-fee revolving account, was unanimously motioned for indefinite postponement.

As an employee of Tabor Academy, Selectman David Pierce recused himself from discussion of **ARTICLE S11**, which asked voters to authorize the Selectmen to accept as a gift a parcel of land to construct, maintain and use as a police station site when sufficient funds are appropriated for the project. The land is located along Route 6 between the Tabor Academy track and Holmes Woods.

"Our concern was that this article not bind the town into either having to commit to a police station if we accept this lot, or bind us to building a police station on this lot if we choose to build," said FinCom Chairman A. Lee Hayes. "If we do find sufficient funds ... does this commit us to building on that site?"

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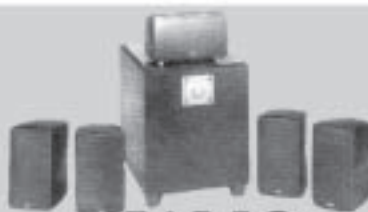
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the use of a police station," said Police Chief Lincoln Miller. "This article does not commit the town to put anything there. The construction of a police station would still have to pass Town Meeting and meet the approval of the FinCom. This is a generous offer from Tabor Academy and I think it's a very good site ... (Tabor) still needs to present this to their Board of Trustees, but we're on the right track."

The article carried via majority vote, after which Town Meeting was asked to give Tabor Academy a round of applause for their generous offer.

Under **ARTICLE S12**, voters were asked to support the continuance of a 2.5 percent tax surcharge for the Marion Land Bank to purchase open space acquisitions. Established five years ago, the so-called Land Bank tenure has expired and they are now seeking to extend the period for another five years.

However, a motion was made by James Gurney to amend the article to include language expanding the tenure of the new Land Bank from no less than five years but no more than ten years.

"In the past few months we have lost one of our major funding sources ... our funds from the state," Mr. Gurney said. "As such, I feel we need to have the ability to borrow in order to fund some major purchases. There's a lot of good, vacant land out there and we need a lot more money than we will get as it stands. The ten years would give us the ability to borrow against further receipts."

According to John Rockwell, a member of the Open Space Acquisition Committee which oversees the Land Bank, over 75 percent of Marion's land use is considered "open space." Over the last five years the Marion Land Bank has allowed the town purchase a 13-acre parcel from the Turowetz family (\$36,000); a 4-acre lot off Route 6 (\$11,000); a 280-acre parcel from Beaton/

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"The (Open Space) Acquisition Committee cannot borrow money, the town can," Selectmen Chairman Andrew Jeffrey clarified. "This is a town tax and we feel every five years you should have the opportunity to (approve) it."

"I don't think it's right to obligate people for ten years at a (Special Town Meeting)," said Lee Vulgaris. "God knows what the tax rate will be by then."

With that, the motion to amend from five to ten years failed via majority vote. The article, as written in the warrant, was then carried via majority vote.

Under **ARTICLE S13**, voters were asked to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the legislature to enact special legislation to allow sewer assess-



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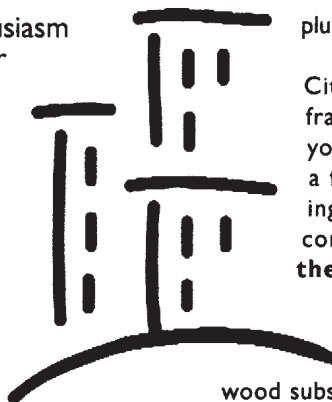
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Under **ARTICLE S14**, voters were asked to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 40, Section 8G, authorizing the town to enter into mutual aid agreements with police departments in other cities and towns. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S15**, voters were asked to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 46, Section 12 of the Acts of 2003 to include members of the Fire Department and other volunteer emergency services agencies in the definition of "employee," provided such employees pay 100 percent of their health insurance premiums (at a cost estimated between \$500 and \$800 a month). The article was passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S16**, voters were asked to amend the Marion By-Laws for "Water Use Restrictions" by deleting the current wording and inserting the following: "Outdoor watering is permitted only on certain days of the week to be specified in the declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation and public notice thereof."

"This is just for a change in the by-law ... in order to change the hours, it does not (need) a by-law change," said Selectman Jeffrey. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S17**, voters were asked to amend the Marion By-Laws under Article III, "Town

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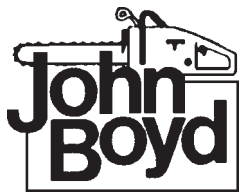
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"The article was originally submitted by Town Counsel when it was discussed there would be a conflict in Town Counsel representing (Marion) and a proposed regional water district," Selectman Pierce said, explaining that since Marion's Town Counsel also serves Mattapoisett and Rochester, the Selectmen would need to gauge whether the interest of the town is best being served in a regional arrangement.

The article passed via majority vote.

Under **ARTICLE S18**, voters were asked to amend the Marion Zoning By-Laws, Section 8.12, "Inclusionary Housing," to allow the Board of Selectmen to review the fee charged in lieu of constructing affordable housing on an annual basis. The by-law previously established a set fee, but the state's Attorney General recommended it be established yearly. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S19**, voters were asked to amend the Zoning By-Laws, Section 4.2 to change the permit-granting authority for some principal uses. After a motion to amend some wording in the article was approved, the article itself carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S20**, voters were asked to amend the Zoning By-Laws to make the by-law more "clear and readable," according to Zoning Board of Appeals (BOA) member Peter Winters. The article carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE S21**, voters were asked to

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There being no further articles to consider, the Special Town Meeting was adjourned for the evening at 8:37 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

November 4, 2003

By Kenneth J. Souza

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After signing various treasury and payroll warrants for the week, the board unanimously approved the minutes of the October 21 regular meeting, the minutes of the October 28 special meeting, and then reviewed the following incoming correspondence:

- Copy of a letter from Water Foreman Gary Sherman to the Marion Board of Health providing an update on E-coli which was recently detected on October 24 at one of the test sites located 604A Point Road. Although subsequent samples have come back clean, they plan to continue chlorination and to closely monitor the samples along with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

- A memo from Police Chief Lincoln Miller requesting signatory authority to execute written mutual aid agreements with other police departments. The board unanimously voted to grant said authority to Chief Miller as requested.

- Notice that the Annual Marion-Wareham Veterans Day Parade will take place on Tuesday, November 11 stepping off at 1:30 pm from Besse Park in Wareham. The parade will proceed down Main Street to Gibbs Avenue, where it will turn left and proceed to Marion Road. The parade will turn left onto Marion Road and continue to the Wareham Memorial Town Hall. Judging for the parade will take place in front of the Fire

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- Copy of Rules and Regulations for use of the Marion Transfer Station, effective November 1, 2003, along with revised operating hours. The new Transfer Station hours are now Tuesday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Sunday, 12:00 to 4:00 pm (household rubbish only). Also effective November 1, they will no longer accept bulky waste from pick-up trucks with loads above the pick-up body, trailers or one-ton dump trucks.

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multi-use path project. They will also hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 24 at 7:30 pm in the Marion Town House on the draft plan for the multi-use pathway on Point Road.

At 7:15 pm the board met with members of the Finance Committee (FinCom) to continue their discussion of a proposed change in philosophy for the upcoming 2004 budget. The FinCom previously met with the board to suggest a more "top down" philosophy to deal with the tighter fiscal times ahead.

"To me, it sounded plausible and like a good idea at the time, but it sounds even better now," Chairman Jeffrey said. "I personally appreciate all the time and effort that went into it."

While he also agreed with the change in philosophy, Selectman Bryant cautioned that the FinCom should make sure they still deal with each department's needs individually and not use the 2.5 percent cap as a "blind recommendation."

"We are going to have to figure out how to allocate this process further into other departments — subdepartments, if you will," said FinCom Chairman A. Lee Hayes. "There are other elected departments such as (the Board of Health) ... which have budgets. The other thing we'll have to think about is the schools. As we allocate from the top-down to the schools, there may be some significant cost problems. We assumed state aid would be (level-funded) ... (but we) already know we've got a problem this year ... with the Special Education budget. We're talking about a \$75,000 to \$100,000 surprise this year and next."

"I don't think it ever changed the job we have to do," added FinCom member Priscilla Ditchfield. "But at least now we have a benchmark and we can tell the departments to give the same message to everyone."

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really appreciate that you took it upon yourself to come up with this plan," said Chairman Jeffrey. "By doing this in a timely manner, hopefully we can get that message to the departments. Times are changing and hopefully ... people will understand."

"Capital spending is something else I think we really need to keep checking in on as we go forward," said A. Lee Hayes. "I think our projections that we made are still pretty good ... we haven't seen any huge surprises."

In other matters, the board:

- Discussed the process for hiring a new Town Administrator in the wake of Ms. Enroth-Whitlock's pending retirement. There are 32 applicants for the

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position to date, and Ms. Enroth-Whitlock wanted to know how the board wished to proceed as the November 21 deadline approaches. Ms. Enroth-Whitlock suggested the board shoot for a February 1, 2004 hiring date since she hopes to be officially retired by or before April 1, 2004.

"I think to get started we need to get it down to ... 10 or 15 candidates," Chairman Jeffrey said. "I think it's important that the people who are going to be working (with the Town Administrator) need to have input, too."

The board agreed to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, December 3 at 7:00 pm to narrow the field of candidates for interviewing.

- Agreed to hold off on accepting Selectman Pierce's resignation from the Police Station Building Committee due to his employment at Tabor Academy and the potential conflict of interest with Tabor's donation of land for the project. The board is awaiting an opinion from Town Counsel on this matter.

- Noted the Stormwater Management Committee is seeking two at-large members. Those interested should submit letters to: Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738.

- Announced plans to hold a periodic "Presentation Night" session which would be a public forum for various issues generally reserved for the Annual Town Meeting. Chairman Jeffrey noted the Town Moderator felt these time-consuming presentations typically eat away at time which should be devoted to warrant articles and they will begin with the first session on Thursday, No-

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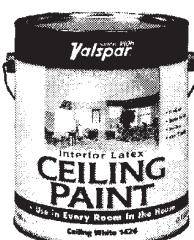
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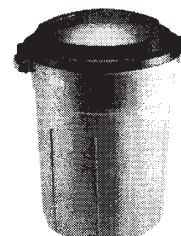


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vember 20 in the Sippican School Auditorium with plans for another sometime in March prior to the Annual Town Meeting.

• Reminded everyone that the Annual Holiday Party will be held on Tuesday, December 16 at the Marion Music Hall beginning at 6:00 pm.

At 8:33 pm the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session to discuss a pending litigation matter and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

November 3, 2003

By Eletha M. Yeaton

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, November 3 at 7:05 pm by Chairman Naida Parker. Also present were Selectman Gary Laboa, Selectman Richard Nunes, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

At 7:05 pm the board held a hearing on the application of Plumb Corner Market of Rochester, Inc., 565 Rounseville Road. Stephen Souza, Manager, was seeking a Retail Package Goods Store license for all kinds of alcoholic beverages. No one appeared in opposition and the application was approved unanimously.

At 7:15 pm the board addressed the consideration of another town election on the funding of the Plumb Library renovations. All three Selectmen voiced their reasons for not wishing to overturn the previous election which defeated the question by 89 votes. There were philosophical, financial, and precedent reasons for their opinions.

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Rochester. The Selectmen were unanimous in denying the request. Mutual respect for the Selectmen's position and the hard work of the Library Trustees was expressed by both sides.

By unanimous vote, the board approved the minutes of the meeting of October 27, 2003, and the naming of Bernard's Way as a street.

Town Administrator James Huntoon next reported the Selectmen's signatures were required on four copies of the roof contract for Memorial School. A finalist has been accepted for the architectural renderings for the Memorial School addition. In addition, a low bid has been accepted for the installation of a fire alarm system.

The Selectmen accepted and signed a bill from Perry, Hicks, Crotty, and Deshaies, LLP for legal services rendered during September 2003. They then accepted and signed the resignation of Kenneth Daggett from the Industrial Development Commission (IDC) due to personal and professional commitments. The board noted that residents interested in filling the vacancy on the IDC should submit a letter of consideration to the Board of

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Under Old Business, Chairman Parker announced a reminder of the School Budget Round Table Discussion to be held on Thursday, November 6 at 7:00 pm in the ORR High School Cafeteria. In addition, the Rochester Police Brotherhood invited the Selectmen and other town officials to the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the Senior Citizens on Thursday, November 20, at 5:00 pm. The final item was the need for two residents to be appointed to the Storm Water Management Committee. Once again, the board urged residents who have the interest and/or expertise in this area to submit letters to them, c/o Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770.

Under New Business, there was a discussion about the outside lights at the Rochester Senior Center which shut off at 7:00 pm. Now that it is dark so early, they shine for several hours directly into the house across the street. Mr. Huntoon agreed to look into this matter. The next item for discussion concerned the lack of work space available in Town Hall for a secretary for the Board of Health. Lastly, Selectman Laboa agreed to represent the board at the Public Safety Meeting to be held on December 16, 2003.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:05 pm.

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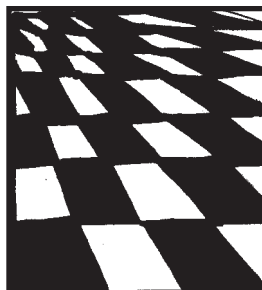
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Mattapoisett Strings Program

During a quarterly meeting of the joint Tri-Town School Committees of Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, and ORR, the Strings Program of the Mattapoisett Elementary Schools made a presentation. The Strings Program is now beginning its third year of existence. Under the direction of Music Teacher and accomplished violinist Jean West, this program has flourished. Approximately 20 students in Grades 4-6, who began playing in Grade 3, are currently involved in this program and in the newly-formed Strings Orchestra. In addition, 20 third grade students began taking strings lessons this past September, bringing the total enrollment in this program to 40 students. Students receive individual and group lessons during the school day and those involved in the Strings Orchestra practice once a week for an additional 45 minutes before the school day begins.

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- Cello: Marc Gammell and Sofia Gabriel;
- Viola: Rob Gammell.

In addition, Sofia's father also played his cello in support of the two cello players and the following songs were performed: "French Folk Song," "Allegro," "Brass Wagon," "Cripple Creek," and "Can Can." Accompanying the Strings Orchestra on the keyboard was Ms. Michelle Gordon.

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Driver Education Classes

Enrollment for the next Driver Education Class at Old Rochester Regional High School is now taking place. Due to a change in state law, a student must be at least 16 years of age on or before November 24 in order to enroll in the class. Students from ORR will be given first available seats as this program is school-sponsored.

Please call the high school for further information (508-758-3745). Registration period ends Friday, November 21. The class will be scheduled to begin on Monday, November 24. The classes will be held on Monday and Tuesday at ORR High School in the new cafeteria from 6:30 to 8:30 pm and run for seven weeks.

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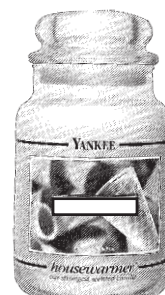
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Representative Straus Hours

State Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett) will hold district office hours at the Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA) office in the Knights of Columbus Hall on Friday, November 7 from 10:30 am to 11:30 am. No appointment is necessary.

Local Woman Artists

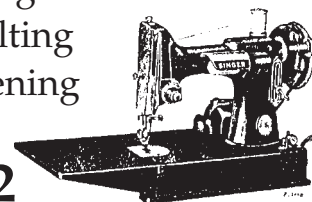
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Mattapoisett Country Fair

On Saturday, November 8, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, the Women's Community Guild of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church will hold a Country Fair in the Church Hall at 27 Church Street. Special features will be a food table with delicious baked goods, a booth for special hand-knitted items, jewelry of all kinds, a Country Store, and a holiday table with Christmas and Thanksgiving specialties. Lunch will be available from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Back by popular demand this year is the Frozen Foods table. There will be hors d'oeuvres and main-course dishes all ready for holiday celebrations. The jewelry table has been expanded with bountiful supply of earrings: clip-ons, screw types and those for pierced ears. There will also be face-painting by local "artists" and, as a new product this year, homemade healthy treats for dogs.

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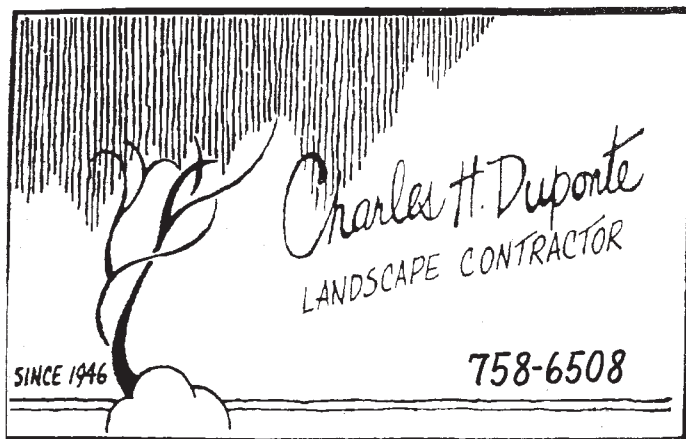
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Marion Childhood Screening

A screening clinic for children from birth to age three will be offered by the Old Rochester Regional School District on Monday, November 17, 2003 at the Sippican School in Marion. Staff from the I. H. Schwartz Early Intervention program will conduct the clinic. Children who live in Marion, Mattapoisett or Rochester are eligible for appointments.

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Tri Town Business Association

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Fairhaven Holiday Tour

The Fairhaven Colonial Club will sponsor their annual Holiday House Tour on Sunday, December 6 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm (no rain date). Advance tickets are \$10 each and are on sale at Euro/Phoenix (41 Main Street) and the Millicent Library (45 Center Street) in Fairhaven. Day

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Mattapoisett Maconchu Club

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Veronica Guerin. Starring Cate Blanchett and Ciarán Hinds.
 Directed by Joel Schumacher. Running time: 92 minutes.
 MPAA rating: R. At the Bijou Theater in Fairhaven.

The goal of *Veronica Guerin* is transparent: not to point out the drug problems in Dublin — which are distant to all but those who live there — but to make a tragic Irish version of *Erin Brockovich*, with a matching Oscar for Cate Blanchett. Guerin, a sort of folk hero in Ireland (or a martyr — same difference), reported on crime for the popular Dublin paper the *Sunday Independent* and, according to the legend, got a little too close to the drug lords for comfort; she was shot to death in 1996, at age 38, while sitting in her car at a traffic light. The movie begins with the murder, then backtracks two years to re-enact Guerin's reportorial crusade against drug dealers.

The way the movie, energetically if impersonally directed by Joel Schumacher, tells it, Veronica was moved to action by the sight of little children playing with the syringes left in the street by heroin addicts. As some critics have noted, though, the focus of the real Guerin's journalistic wrath was not heroin dealers, but marijuana dealers. That might explain why the movie's Veronica is barely shown talking to (let alone writing about) drug addicts, except to grill them on where they get the stuff. Her emphasis is entirely on the Bad Guys pushing drugs to children. Fair enough, but it doesn't make for a terribly provocative movie. Why did Veronica tilt at the drug-traffic windmill to the extent of endangering herself and her husband and young son? According to the film, because she Just Wasn't Going to Back Down.

Working with a worshipful (and Guerin-family-approved) script by Carol Doyle and Mary Agnes Donoghue, Schumacher can't even get his usual tacky excitement going. The movie is simply a series of escalating threats on Veronica's life, until finally she's done in — on orders from the drug kingpin (Gerard McSorley in a cartoon-vicious performance) she's been tailing, the film strongly implies. (Some have theorized that Guerin's murder wasn't as simple as that, and speak of cover-ups and shady characters under the protection of the Garda, Ireland's police force.) In a few scenes, mostly dealing with Ciarán Hinds as a sad-sack crime underling who serves as Veronica's secret source, we get a sense of the uniquely Irish flavor of the underworld. But then it's back to another not especially involving domestic scene with Veronica goofing around with her kid or scoffing at the concerns of various family members. After a while, every scene becomes a testament to Veronica's courage, Veronica's strength, Veronica's indomitable spirit.



It should be said that Cate Blanchett does a lot to clip the angel wings off herself. She makes muckraking look sexy — to her, unmasking the criminal element is wicked, dirty fun, and she enjoys their discomfort when she strides among them with an air of serene implacability. Blanchett seems to be acting in a better, more complex movie, wherein Veronica rubs elbows with underworld swine because she *likes* it. Lest we miss the point that Veronica is just like the rest of us, the script points up her addiction to football (or soccer, as we call it) — she decompresses by kicking a ball around in the backyard — though this doesn't do much for the movie except provide an excuse for a two-time Schumacher star to pop in for an uncredited cameo as a rough, tattooed football fan with whom Veronica chats on the street. He comes on to her cheerfully, as if he'd been watching the movie; certainly no one else notices the sensual vibe of bravado Blanchett sends off.

Schumacher really tries our patience at the end, though; Veronica gets her wings after all, and Blanchett, dead in the front seat of a car, can't do anything about it. Word of her murder spreads, which seems to devastate everyone in Ireland. Sinéad O'Connor sings mournfully on the soundtrack as the streets are clogged with mourners. A narrator reassures us that there was a massive crackdown on drug crime directly after Guerin's death, and that the crime rate went down 15 percent. Actually, things didn't stay that way for long; according to a story in Guerin's paper the *Sunday Independent* last summer, "Three killings within the two days surrounding the premiere of the *Veronica Guerin* movie and a total of almost 50 unsolved gangland murders in Dublin since her death in 1996, together with an unprecedented rise in drug-trafficking and armed criminal activity nationwide, demonstrate that the anti-crime packages that were to have been her legacy have not worked. The prediction of senior gardai is that gangland violence, at its highest levels due mainly to the large amount of modern weapons coming into the country with drug consignments, will continue to worsen in the immediate future." Of course, we hear nothing of this from the movie, which sends us out ready to canonize Veronica — though the film itself has already, falsely, done it.

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Friday, November 7 through Thursday, November 13.
Wonderland (R) — Fri/Sat: 8:00; Sun-Thu: 7:30
Veronica Guerin (R) — Sat/Sun: 4:30

FLAGSHIP CINEMA 8
 39 Doty Street (Route 58), Wareham, MA.
 Movie Hotline: (508) 291-4100

Friday, November 7 through Thursday, November 13.
Elf (PG) — 12:45, 2:55, 5:05, 7:15, 9:15
Radio (PG) — 1:05, 3:30, 6:55, 9:20
The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (R) — 1:55, 4:20, 7:30, 9:35
Scary Movie 3: Lord of the Brooms (PG-13) — 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:10, 9:05
The Matrix: Revolutions (R) — 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40
School of Rock (PG-13) — 1:20, 3:45, 7:20, 9:30
Runaway Jury (R) — 1:50, 4:25, 7:05, 9:30
Brother Bear (G) — 1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:05, 8:50

FLAGSHIP CINEMA 12
 500 Kings Highway, New Bedford, MA.
 Movie Hotline: (508) 985-3000

Friday, November 7 through Thursday, November 13.
The Matrix: Revolutions (R) — 1:00, 4:00, 4:15, 7:00, 7:15, 7:20, 9:40, 9:50, 10:00
Elf (PG) — 1:10, 3:15, 5:15, 7:10, 9:30
Brother Bear (G) — 1:00, 1:10, 3:00, 3:10, 5:00, 5:10, 7:05, 7:10, 9:00, 9:10
Radio (PG) — 1:05, 4:20, 7:15, 9:35
Good Boy! (PG) — 1:05, 3:05
Scary Movie 3: Lord of the Brooms (PG-13) — 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
Mystic River (R) — 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
School of Rock (PG-13) — 1:20, 4:00, 7:20, 9:30
Passionada (PG-13) — 1:15, 4:10
The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (R) — 1:25, 4:20, 7:25, 9:35
Runaway Jury (R) — 1:15, 4:00, 7:05, 9:45

REGAL NICKELODEON 5
 742 Nathan Ellis Highway, North Falmouth, MA.
 Movie Listings: 1-800-326-3264, theater code: 450

Friday, November 7 through Thursday, November 13.
Under the Tuscan Sun (PG-13) — Fri: 3:40, 6:35, 9:10; Sat: 1:10, 3:40, 6:35, 9:10; Sun: 1:10, 3:40, 6:35; Mon-Thu: 3:40, 6:35
Radio (PG) — Fri: 3:30, 6:30, 9:00; Sat: 1:00, 3:30, 6:30, 9:00; Sun: 1:00, 3:30, 6:30; Mon-Thu: 3:30, 6:30
Intolerable Cruelty (PG-13) — Fri: 4:00, 6:50, 9:05; Sat: 1:20, 4:00, 6:50, 9:05; Sun: 1:20, 4:00, 6:50; Mon-Thu: 4:00, 6:50
Wonderland (R) — Fri: 3:50, 6:45, 9:15; Sat: 1:30, 3:50, 6:45, 9:15; Sun: 1:30, 3:50, 6:45; Mon-Thu: 3:50, 6:45
Lost in Translation (R) — Fri: 3:35, 6:40, 9:05; Sat: 1:05, 3:35, 6:40, 9:05; Sun: 1:05, 3:35, 6:40; Mon-Thu: 3:35, 6:40



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Upper Cape Craft Fair

Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical High School will host the Ninth Annual Professional Arts and Craft Fair on November 16 from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm. Over 100 professional New England crafters and artisans will display and sell their "made in the USA" specialty items. Crafters will be on hand to discuss and demonstrate their work while continuing the time-honored tradition of the New England Cottage industry. There will be a raffle on Sunday, November 16 to include such items as a Mission-style oak fall front desk, Shaker Table, and Gift basket.

Upper Cape Tech's Canalside Dining Room will be open to the public during the craft fair. Patrons may enjoy the breathtaking view of the Cape Cod Canal and Bourne Bridge while lunching with friends and family. This is student-run fair — various clubs and shops make this event unique. Carpentry students will be selling furniture and wood items to support students in VICA (Vocational Industrial Club of America)

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The Mattapoisett Historical Society's Picture

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Blair House of New Bedford is located at 397 County Street in New Bedford.



Regional Lunch Menus

• ACUSHNET MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, November 10 – NO SCHOOL.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no school).

Wednesday, November 12 – Popcorn chicken, ham sandwich, rice, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, November 13 – Hot dog on a roll, turkey sandwich, potato puffs, carrot sticks, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday, November 14 – Stuffed crust pizza, tuna salad sandwich, macaroni salad, fresh fruit, milk.

• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, November 10 – American chop suey, green beans, scali bread, mandarin oranges in light syrup.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no meals served).

Wednesday, November 12 – Corn chowder, savory baked chicken, California blend vegetables, whole wheat roll, banana.

Thursday, November 13 – Salmon boat in lemon dill sauce, red bliss potatoes, peas with mushrooms, light rye bread, apricots in light

syrup.

Friday, November 14 – Meatball stroganoff, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, dark rye bread, chocolate pudding, sugar-free pudding.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, November 10 – Chicken tenders, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no school).

Wednesday, November 12 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, McCrispy chicken roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, November 13 – Roast turkey, salisbury steak, mashed potato, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, November 14 – Cheese pizza, turkey sub, lettuce/tomato, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, November 10 – Chicken tenders, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no school).

Wednesday, November 12 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, McCrispy chicken roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, November 13 – Roast turkey, salisbury steak, mashed potato, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, November 14 – Cheese pizza, turkey sub, lettuce/tomato, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, November 10 – NO SCHOOL.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no school).

Wednesday, November 12 – Chicken nuggets, French fries, carrots and peas, cranberry sauce, marble cake.

Thursday, November 13 – Hamburger or chili dog, hash brown pattie, corn, apple crisp.

Friday, November 14 – Tomato macaroni soup, pizza, seafood salad roll, pretzels, green beans, dessert.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL, MATTAPOISETT

Monday, November 10 – Chicken tenders, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no school).

Wednesday, November 12 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, McCrispy chicken roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, November 13 – Roast turkey, salisbury steak, mashed potato, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, November 14 – Cheese pizza, turkey sub, lettuce/tomato, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• ORR JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, November 10 – Bacon cheeseburger, fries, lettuce/tomato, pickles, fruit, pizza, quesadilla, chicken

tenders, pub wedges, milk.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no school).

Wednesday, November 12 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, green beans, soup, fruit, pizza, cheeseburger, McCrispy chicken roll, quesadilla, potato puffs, milk.

Thursday, November 13 – Roast turkey, mashed potato, gravy, peas, soup, fruit, pizza, cheeseburger, skinny fries, quesadilla, rib-a-que, milk.

Friday, November 14 – Meatball sub, soup, salad, fruit, pizza, cheeseburger, chicken nuggets, quesadilla, fries, milk.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, November 10 – Chicken tenders, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 11 – VETERANS DAY (no school).

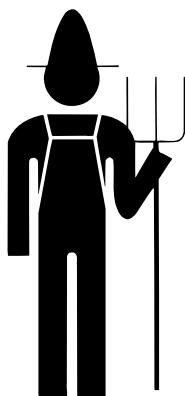
Wednesday, November 12 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, McCrispy chicken roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, November 13 – Roast turkey, salisbury steak, mashed potato, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, November 14 – Cheese pizza, turkey sub, lettuce/tomato, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

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The book, which contains a wealth of Mattapoisett history of the early 20th century, is the first major publication of the Historical Society since the publication of *Mattapoisett and Old Rochester* in 1903. The softcover edition is \$28, the hardcover is \$50. The poster,

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INNER VIEWS

Missed Opportunity

By Kenneth J. Souza

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Now that the dust has settled in Rochester in the recent brouhaha over funding a decidedly much-needed expansion to the town's Plumb Memorial Library, I think it bears some assessment as to how the whole Town Meeting/Town Election process either succeeds or fails, depending on your point of view. To me, this project perfectly points up the sharp dichotomy between those who vote with their voices — often loud and clear — at Town Meeting and those who opt to quietly “vote with their feet,” as the cliché goes, in the ballot box.

At the October 6 Special Town Meeting, the article to authorize the \$950,000 bond for the project, thereby guaranteeing a \$1.72 million contribution via a state grant, met with overwhelming support. But just two days later on October 8, the needed follow-up question on the Special Election ballot to approve the expenditure failed to pass muster, 332 to 243.

Some members of the Library Board of Trustees, understandably disappointed and upset, claimed the library project was unfairly pitted against a potential expansion for Memorial School and complained a last-minute smear campaign was waged to dissuade voters from footing another big-ticket item like the recently-approved purchase of Eastover Farms for open space. In a last-ditch effort, trustees and residents also went before the Board of Selectmen last week to see if another Special Election could be called since many library supporters assumed the project was a “shoo-in” after the overwhelming show of support at Town Meeting.

As an avid reader and library user myself, I wholeheartedly encourage and respect the efforts of library backers in making improvements to a valuable public resource, but I must beg to differ on this faulty logic when it comes to assumptions about voting and not voting. I've always been baffled by the notion that Town Meeting voters and those who vote at the polls are one and the same. Clearly, they are not.

To be sure, many Town Meeting voters also vote at the polls and vice versa; but having covered Town Meetings for over 12 years, I know they are often forums for long-winded speeches, sometimes petty nitpickings, and the always-too-long-and-flashy PowerPoint presentations with color graphics. In short, they're a smoke-and-mirrors show to get the captivated crowd to support your cause.

Go team!

I was present at the October 6 Rochester Special Town Meeting and although the Library Trustees didn't stage such an elaborate production, they made their case plain and simple. I'm sure they also stacked Town Meeting with like-minded supporters, which is another common strategy in such cases. I'm not criticizing them for it — frankly, more power to them — but it's the name of the game if you want to get something passed.

Taking a casual glance at the numbers, there were roughly 100 people at the October 6 Special Town Meeting and some 577 voters who cast ballots on October 8. But what's more disconcerting than this one-to-five ratio is that there are about 3,000 registered voters in the Town of Rochester and only one-sixth of that number even bothered to make it out to the polls!

Now I can see why library supporters would want to give those other 2,423 voters a second-chance at voicing their opinion on the library project, but the fact is *they had their chance on October 8 and they missed it*. It's not like we're living in the dark ages where people don't receive due notice of elections and Town Meetings. And those non-voters reading this should just come clean and admit they didn't want to miss that important repeat of *Everybody Loves Raymond* or shift from that comfortable indentation in the couch to vote.

My point is, although I applaud the Rochester Library Board of Trustees' efforts I have to agree with the Rochester Board of Selectmen in not wanting to call another election which, in all likelihood, would result in similar numbers. Let's be honest, you see the same faces at every Town Meeting and they are mostly populated by the usual suspects: town officials, town employees, and an interchangeable contingent of supporters and/or detractors of the latest cause-of-the-day. Then you have that “silent majority” of people who vote in the ballot box, preferring not to let their neighbors know how they voted.

People are either Town Meeting voters or they're not. They will either go to the polls or they won't.

And those in either category who decide how or even if they'll vote based on false and foolish assumptions that such measures are a “shoo-in” or, alternately, that their vote “really won't make a difference” would be wise to think twice when something like the Plumb Memorial Library project next appears on a warrant and/or ballot.

There's the second chance if you want one.

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which was designed to promote the book is also available for sale at the museum for \$5.

Rochester Historical Society

The weather was a bit gray on the outside but inside the East Rochester Church on County Road it was anything but. From 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on October 18, visitors continually strolled through the open doors to see the lovely church, learn about cranberries, purchase some of the many items on sale and to reminisce. Though the Rochester Historical Society has been working throughout the summer, this event was seen as the kick off of a major fund raising drive for our newly acquired building.

First Night New Bedford

First Night New Bedford is holding its Annual Spaghetti Supper fundraiser on Thursday, November 6 from 4:30 to 7:30 pm at the Sixth Bristol Club, 736 Ashley Boulevard in New Bedford. There will be music, entertainment by Lulu the Clown, face painting by Marc Kohler and a fabulous Silent Auction. All proceeds from the Spaghetti Supper fundraiser will benefit First Night New Bedford. Tickets are \$6 each and are available at the door or by calling 508-993-1999 in advance.

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Local Police Logs

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The following log excerpts are for the week of October 26, 2003 through November 1, 2003:

- Ichabod Lane – suspicious person
- Cumberland Farms – suspicious motor vehicle
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, marked lanes violation)
- Wareham Road – suspicious person
- Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Water Street – waterways complaint
- Spring Street – larceny/past
- Wareham Road – incapacitated person
- Wareham Road – larceny/past
- Front Street – larceny/past
- Spring Street – lost property
- Delano Road – animal complaint
- Marion Road – assist other police department
- Cottage Street – parking violation
- Wareham Road – larceny/past
- County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Route 195 East – vehicle fire
- Marion Road – assist other police department
- Wareham Road – animal complaint
- Front Street – larceny/past
- Hermitage Road – animal complaint
- Washburn Park Road – suspicious person
- Spring Street – motor vehicle complaint
- Pleasant Street – youths in street
- Water Street – youths in street

- Allen Street – suspicious person
- Spring Street – gathering
- County Road – noise complaint
- Front Street – assist other police department
- Route 195 West – brush/grass fire
- Point Road – family disturbance
- Silvershell Beach – waterways complaint
- Point Road – animal complaint
- Point Road – family offense
- Indian Cove Road – adult arrest (operating with revoked license, motor vehicle equipment violation).

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 26, 2003 through November 2, 2003:

- County Road – adult arrest
- Holly Woods Road – vandalism
- Bowman Road – vandalism
- Aucoot Road – vandalism
- Angelica Avenue – vandalism
- Mattapoisett/Fairhaven Line – adult arrest (warrant)
- Heritage Lane – suspicious persons
- North Street – vandalism
- Marion Road – harassing/annoying phone calls
- Aucoot Road – vandalism
- Town Wharf – harbormaster emergency
- Long Plain Road – motor vehicle accident
- Route 195 West – motor vehicle violations
- Randall Road – assist other agency
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – safety/road hazard
- Pine Island Road – harassing/annoying phone calls
- County Road – suspicious activity
- Marion Road – traffic control
- Perry Avenue – vandalism
- Fairhaven Road – burglary/breaking and entering into structure
- County Road – motor vehicle accident
- Laurel Street – disturbance
- County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Martin Avenue – property lost

- Industrial Drive – vandalism
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – motor vehicle violations
- County Road – property returned.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 28, 2003 through November 4, 2003:

- High Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Walnut Plain Road – animal complaint
- Union Church Terrace – annoying phone calls
- Dexter Lane – suspicious activity
- Neck Road – officer wanted
- Dexter Lane – suspicious activity
- Mendell Road – highway matter
- Kings Highway – fire
- Mary's Pond Road – suspicious activity
- County Road – motor vehicle violations
- Dexter Lane – annoying phone calls
- Quaker Lane – disturbance
- Wordell Street – assist other agency
- Haskell Ridge Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- Mendell Road – motor vehicle accident
- Ryder Road – complaint
- County Road – disturbance
- Haskell Ridge Road – vandalism
- Perrys Lane – disturbance
- Route 105 – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- New Bedford Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Cranberry Highway – suspicious activity
- County Road – ATV/vehicle complaint
- Neck Road – animal complaint
- North Avenue – assist other agency
- Pine Street – parking violation
- New Bedford Road – civil complaint
- Wolf Island Road – animal complaint.



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Mattapoisett Public Nurse

There will be an evening Blood Pressure Clinic on Wednesday, November 19 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street.

ORR Teacher Honored

The Old Rochester Regional District School Committee honored ORR High School family and consumer science teacher GERALYN DIAS at the November 5 School Committee meeting. Ms. Dias was recognized for significantly contributing to teaching and learning

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31 Aware of
32 Line of clothing?
33 Polly-syllabic one?
36 Jitterbug dance
38 Bag
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44 "Close to transportation!"
53 Zombie base
54 Snaps
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56 Siegmeister

- or Wiesel
57 Presidential nickname
58 Disprove
59 Grate stuff
61 Blackboard
62 Take a hike
64 Meyerbeer's "
Huguenots"
65 Actor
66 Latin rhythm
67 City on the Danube
69 "Cozy getaway!"
72 Excessively
73 Actress
75 Braga
76 UK honor
78 Amusement park cry
82 Percussion instruments
83 Synthetic fiber
85 Composer
87 Poetic pot
88 Classy doc?
89 Gin
90 "The Virginian" author
91 Wordless greeting
92 "Needs a

- little TLC!"
97 Santa —, CA
98 Amusing
99 From the top
100 Mombasa's land
103 Overogled?
105 Melville
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112 Feather-weight
115 Blue hue
117 "Private setting!"
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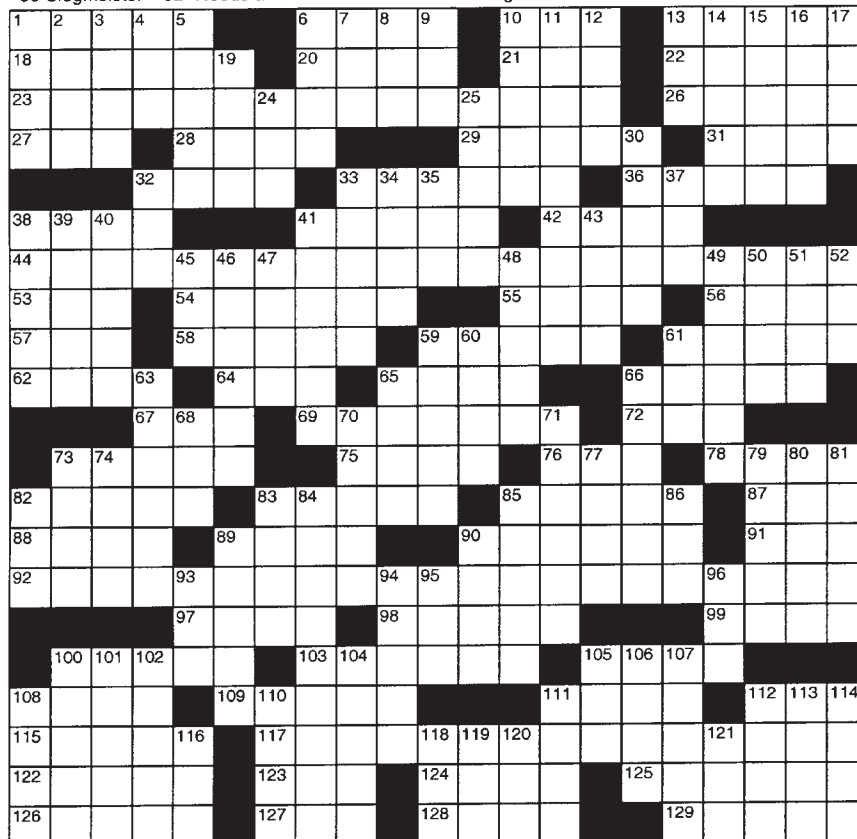
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3 Pride papa
4 Philips of "UHF"
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8 "M*A*S*H" extras
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32 Go downhill fast
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37 Squid's squirt
38 "— Dogs" ('71 film)
39 Caribbean island
40 "Ship of the desert"
41 '60s dance
43 Lump
45 Educ.
46 Singer

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47 Dressing gown
48 — jacket
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50 "Oh, woe!"
51 Riotous
52 Kiki or Joey
59 Be of use
60 Manhattan area
61 — Paulo, Brazil
63 You'll get a kick out of it
65 Gilligan's home
66 Audiophile's equipment
68 Fleur-de—
70 Photog-raphy fluid
71 Warm
73 Match socks, e.g.
74 — about (approx-imately)
77 Use one's head?
79 Culinary province
80 Wear away
81 Bestow
82 AMA members
83 Priestly vestments
84 Author's income
85 Punished a leadfoot

- 86 Bungle
89 "To your health!"
90 Used to be
93 Bawl
94 Edit a text
95 NT book
96 Capture a crook
100 Director
101 Let out the lava
102 Scandina-vian
104 Duck down
105 —Margret
106 Night noise
107 Statesman
108 Hoffmann creation
110 Iowa city
111 Curly coil
112 Soccer superstar
113 Aphrodite's son
114 Parisian
116 Ending for "mountain"
118 —di-dah
119 Leading lady?
120 Above, to Arnold
121 Hurry



SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You enjoy the attention in the early part of the week, but it might be a good idea to opt for some privacy by week's end so that you can have more time to consider an upcoming decision.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You unearth some surprising facts. Now you need to consider how to use them to your advantage. Meanwhile, it might be best to keep what you've learned secret for now.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A comment by a colleague piques your curiosity to know more. Best advice: You'll find people more likely to offer information if you're discreet when making your inquiries.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your energy levels begin to rise by midweek. This allows you to catch up with your heavy workload and still have plenty of get-up-and-go to go out on the town this weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're probably roaring your head off about a perceived slight from a longtime critic. Ignore it. That person might just be trying to goad you into doing something you might later regret.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The early part of the week is open to spontaneity. Then it's time to settle into your usual routine to get all your tasks done. A personal situation could require more attention from you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A meeting of the minds on a workplace project might well develop into something more personal for Librans looking for romance. Aspects are also favorable for platonic relationships.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A more positive mood might be difficult to assume in light of a recent problem involving the health of someone special. But by week's end, your emotional barometer should start to rise.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Look for a changed attitude from a former adversary once he or she realizes you have your colleagues' full support. Now you can refocus your energies on that workplace project.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This time, a difference of opinion might not be resolved in your favor. But be patient. It could all ultimately work out to your advantage, as new information begins to develop.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A tug of war develops between the artistic Aquarian's creative aspect and his or her practical side. Best advice: Prioritize your schedule so you can give appropriate time to both.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You could be entering a career phase awash with job-related demands. But avoid being swamped by the overflow and, instead, keep treading water as you deal with demands one by one.

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Natural Childbirth Classes

Natural Childbirth Classes begin on Sunday, November 16 in Fairhaven. Five sessions include breathing and relaxation techniques and comfort measures. For more information and registration, please call Lisa Elliott (Certified Childbirth Educator) at 508-994-1250.

Mattapoissett Council on Aging

Turkey Dinner

Tickets for the ORR Junior High School Turkey Dinner will be available on November 7. The dinner will be on Sunday, November 23. Meals for shut-ins will also be available.

Representative Straus

State Representative William Straus will be at the Mattapoissett Senior Center on Friday, November 7 from 10:30 to 11:30 am.

Miracle Worker

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<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN The Rochester Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing on November 17, 2003, 7:05 p.m., on the petition of NSTAR Electric who proposes to install two (2) manhole and two (2) cable and conduit locations on New Bedford Road. This construction is necessary to provide new service to a new development – Center Village in Rochester. Naida L. Parker, Chairman 10/30, 11/06</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #840 Notice is hereby give that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Danny and Victoria Hughes, 549 Walnut Plain Road, who are seeking a special permit under Section VIII.D.9.a. to convert a single family dwelling to a multi-family dwelling. Property is identified on Assessors' maps as plan 15A lot 64, being in the agricultural/residential district. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, November 13, 2003, 7:30 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 10/30, 11/06</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 18, 2003, at 4:45 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the variance application requested by David and Frances Russell, pertaining to property located at 80 Piney Point Road. The requested variance is from Title V, Section 15.212 to allow depth to groundwater less than 4 feet. The property is further identified as Lots 66, & 67A on Assessors' Plan 2. Albin R. Johnson, Chairman 10/30, 11/06</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT PLANNING BOARD The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 17, 2003 at 7:45 PM in the Mattapoisett Town Hall concerning the application of Park Place Associates, for a proposed subdivision of land located off Park Place and shown as Map #16, Lot #6. Complete plans are on file in the office of the Town Clerk. Planning Board 10/30, 11/06</p> <hr/>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #526 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2003, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the application of Jonathan and Michelle Pope for a special permit under Section 4.2 and Section 7 of the Zoning By-laws in effect on November 9, 2000 to allow a drive up window in an existing fast food restaurant. The property, at 354 Front Street, is further identified as Lot 20 on Assessors' Plan 13. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 10/30, 11/06</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #525 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2003, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the application of Jean C. Fordyce and Charles E. Bascom, Trustees for 2 Main Street Realty Trust for a special permit under Section 6.1.3 and 6.1.5 of the Zoning By-laws to allow for the extension of an exterior building wall and addition to a pre-existing, nonconforming structure into the side yard setback of the premises. In the alternative, a variance from section(s) 6.1.4 of the Zoning By-Laws to allow for the diminimus extension of an exterior building wall of the pre-existing, nonconforming structure into the side yard setback of the premises at or along the same nonconforming distance within a required yard. The property, at 2 Main Street, is further identified as Lot 165 on Assessors' Plan 16. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 10/30, 11/06</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #527 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2003, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the application of Kathleen Feeney for a special permit under Section 6.1 of the Zoning By-laws to allow removal of an existing structure from an existing non-conforming lot and replacement with a new structure. Proposed structure shall be no closer than 7' from the side property line. The property, at 166 Front Street, is further identified as Lot 40 on Assessors' Plan 14. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 11/06, 11/13</p> <hr/>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following applications: Application of Charles and Rebecca McCullough of 4 Hunters Lane, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 4 Hunters Lane. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Section 3.1.2.1 of the Zoning By-Laws to construct a farmers' porch that will not meet the required street setback. The property is further described as Plat 18, Lot 109 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, November 20, 2003 at 6:00 PM. #961 Application of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library of 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 7 Barstow Street. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.1, 3.1.2.2 and 5.1.5.1 of the Zoning By-Laws to allow the construction of an addition to a non-conforming structure that will not meet the required rear setback. The property is further described as Plat 9, Lot 110 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, November 20, 2003 at 6:15 PM. #960. Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours. Jeffrey, R. Chase, Chairperson Scott E. Pegurri Nancy L. O'Brien Girard F. Oliva Jack R. McGill 11/06, 11/13</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #528 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2003, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the application of Charles J. Fougere for a special permit under Section 6.1.3 of the Zoning By-laws to allow the addition of a 23' x 26' garage 10'-4" from the nearest lot line. The property, at 44 Parkway Lane, is further identified as Lot 46F on Assessors' Plan 11. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 11/06, 11/13</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 19, 2003 at 7:50 PM in the main conference room of the Marion Town House on a Notice of Intent submitted by CHRISTINE BLACK to construct an addition (24' wide x 40' long overall) on the north side of the dwelling at 45 River Road, and relocate a small rip rap wall. The site is further identified as Lot 25 on Marion Assessors' Map 9. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Robert J. Merlino, Chairman 11/06</p> <hr/>

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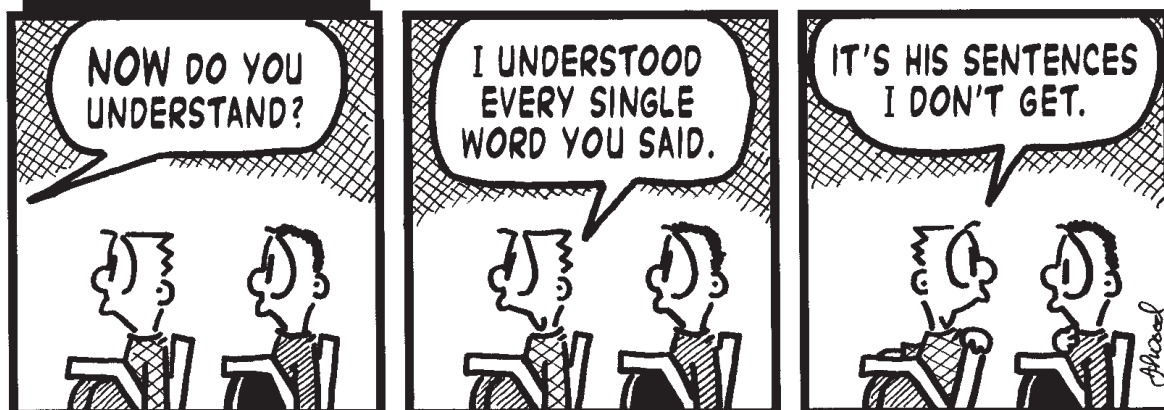
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- December/January – Beyond Basics: Learn to use search engines on the Internet and how to access different data bases, including Virtual Catalog. Learn basic word processing, how to copy, cut and paste.

- January/February – Intermediate Skills: Learn more word processing and how to make spreadsheets and charts. Learn to use templates and create resumes and newsletters.

- February/March – Advanced Skills: Learn to use the Web and all about remote access to library resources. Learn about Email and how to attach documents.

Computer classes will be held on a drop-in basis, (first come-first served) with sign up scheduled for 30- and/or 60-minute periods during the following times: Wednesday evenings 6:30 to 7:30 pm; Thursday mornings 10:30 to 11:30 am; and Friday afternoons from 2:00 to 3:00 pm.

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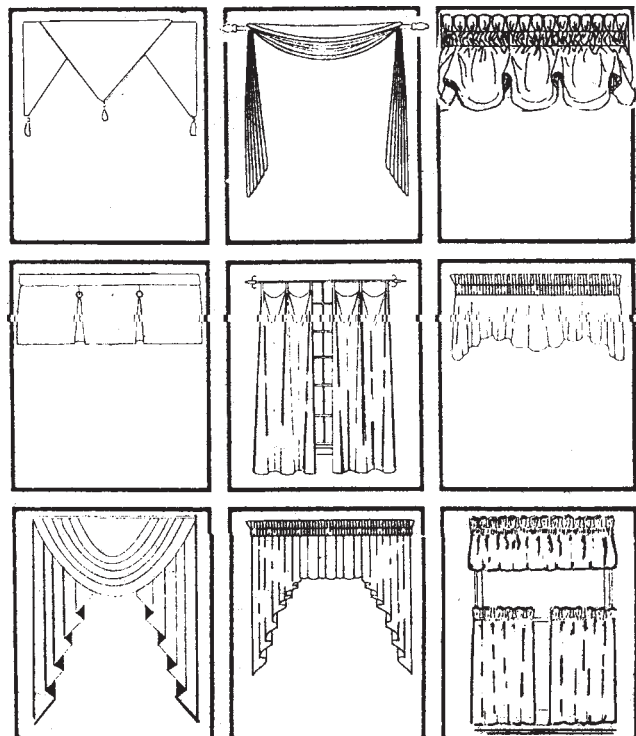


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The Mattapoisett Town Hall is wheelchair accessible and an American Sign Language (ASL) Interpreter will be available. If other accommodations are needed, please contact Judy Wallace at the Mattapoisett Free Library at 508-758-4171.

During the past few years, the commission has purchased a new teletypewriter/telecommunication device for the deaf (TTY/TDD) for Town Hall and has collaborated with the Mattapoisett Free Library to supply ASL Interpreters for Town Meeting and free Sign Language classes at the library. The MCODE encourages all interested residents to seek appointment from the Board of Selectmen in order to become active members of this group. For more information contact Gary Jezierski 508-758-9885.

Rails to Trails

A free public forum on the development and use of bike paths here in the Southcoast will take place on Friday, November 7 at 7:00 pm at the Unitarian Memorial Church in Fairhaven. The "Rails to Trails" Conservancy and local town officials will present a progress report on the plans to create a bike path from Fairhaven to the Cape Cod Canal.

State House Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett) and Craig Della Penna of "Rails to Trails" will speak at the forum. The event is sponsored by the Southcoast Men's Fellowship.

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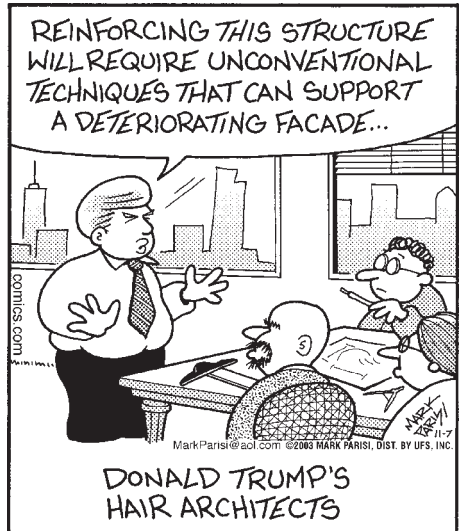
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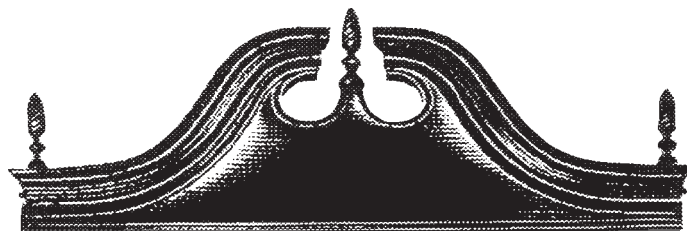
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November 9:	Sun.	7:44	8:07	12:41	1:34
November 10:	Mon.	8:18	8:43	1:18	2:10
November 11:	Tues.	8:51	9:20	1:55	2:47
November 12:	Wed.	9:27	10:02	2:33	3:24
November 13:	Thur.	10:07	10:47	3:11	4:03
November 14:	Fri.	10:51	11:36	3:51	4:45
November 15:	Sat.	11:42	...	4:35	5:38
November 16:	Sun.	12:28	12:36	5:29	6:52
November 17:	Mon.	1:23	1:34	6:41	8:09
November 18:	Tues.	2:19	2:35	8:05	9:01
November 19:	Wed.	3:17	3:37	9:17	9:44
November 20:	Thur.	4:14	4:36	10:15	10:26
November 21:	Fri.	5:09	5:32	11:07	10:26
November 22:	Sat.	6:01	6:24	11:59	11:54
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